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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for An Achievable Dream Crime Prevention and Juvenile Justice System Reduction project in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is An Achievable Dream located at 600 Pleasant St, Highland Springs, VA 23075, and 15 S. Oak Ave, Highland Springs, VA 23075. The funding would be used to provide critical mental health support to at-risk students as society is still witnessing the social and emotional effects of the pandemic, personal and family traumas, and environmental factors. An Achievable Dream will deliver educational development opportunities and counseling services to prevent the onset of delinquent behavior. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because participating in An Achievable Dream as an early intervention program gives disproportionately impacted participants the opportunity to undergo development programs and counseling that seeks to reduce the number of young individuals involved in the juvenile justice system.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

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Sincerely,

Jennifer L. McClellan Member of Congress

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